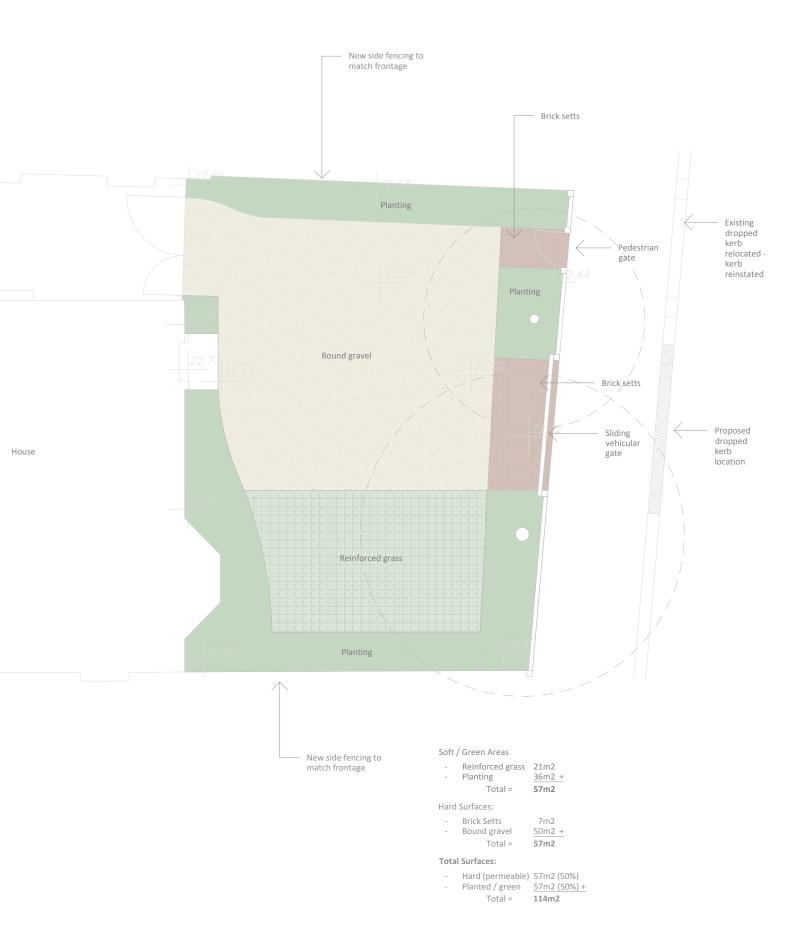
# 135 Burbage Road Front Garden

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# **Design Strategy**

#### **Design Principles**

The redesign of the front garden aims to create a more practical driveway for the residents, increase the security to the home, improve the landscape setting as well as the conditions for the existing trees to the front boundary.

The driveway is proposed to move centrally to enable better access for cars, due to the irregular growth of the tree, and also reduce the impact of car movements upon the existing tree located immediately adjacent to the current driveway. A secondary pedestrian gate is proposed in the location of the existing vehicular gate.

Increased borders will create a green frontage and side boundaries, and also to the main elevation of the house. A re-enforced grass system will create a small lawn area, which enables easier car parking movements for the residents.

#### Security

The proposed fencing is designed as a closed timber, flush panelled composition, set between posts which include the Bishop's Mitre style tops. The new gate is proposed to be a sliding gate to offer enhanced security to the site to deter in particular car thieves, whilst maintaining the quality and design styles found within Dulwich Village. The pedestrian gate enables easy access without the need to use the main gate.

#### Heritage Context

The fencing style is based upon those found to the frontages of existing dwellings within Burbage Road and the wider area of Dulwich Village. The simple vertical boarding with a base and top rail is a common design style within the area and the Bishop's Mitre post tops are a notable feature found extensively within the conservation area. The final colour of the fencing is to be determined.

#### **Details & Materials**

The proposed fencing is to be a painted, closed, flush timber panelling set between posts with Bishop's Mitre tops.

The entrance thresholds will be defined by permeable brick setts aligned with the planted borders. The main driveway area is proposed as a bound gravel with the lawn area made up from a reinforced grass system, in accordance with the arborist's specification.

The area of green, planted surface is 50% of the total front garden area, in line with the Dulwich Estates requirements. The final design details of the proposed fencing and garden area are to be confirmed.

- 1. Precedent of closed and flush timber fencing within Dulwich Village.
- 2. Solid fencing panels set between posts with Bishop's Mitre top in Burbage Road
- 3. Example of a Bishop's Mitre post top in Burbage Road
- 4. Precedent of closed and flush timber fencing within Dulwich Village.
- 5. Golpa grass reinforcement system
- 6. Brick setts
- 7. Permeable bound gravel





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Existing Street Frontage

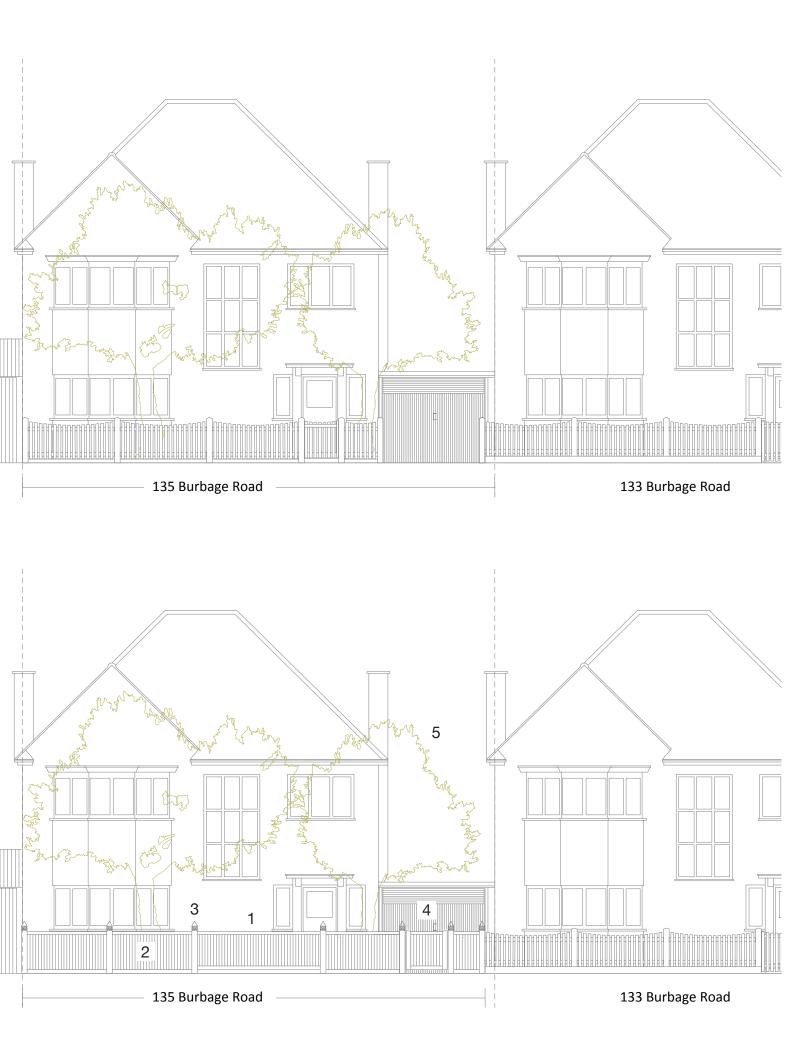


#### 137 Burbage Road

### Proposed Street Frontage

#### **Street View**

- 1. Sliding entrance gate
- 2. Closed timber panelling fencing
- 3. Bishop's mitre timber posts
- 4. Pedestrian gate
- 5. Existing trees





## Site Photographs

- Existing main rear area of garden
  Existing shed

- Existing greenhouse
  Existing apple trees
  Existing tree within garden of No.133





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